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USER INTERFACE UTILIZING
MAP-BASED METAPHORS FOR
EFFICIENT BROWSING AND
RETRIEVING OF PICTURES

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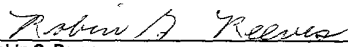
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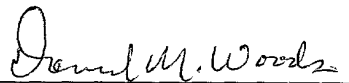
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LETTER UNDER RULE 53

Pursuant to Rule 53, the above-identified application, enclosed herewith
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